



2016 CHAPTER 20

“Shared education”

- 2.—(1) This section applies for the purposes of—
- (a) this Act; and
 - (b) section 2(3) of, and paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 1 to, the Education Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (duty of Education Authority to encourage, facilitate and promote shared education).
- (2) “Shared education” means the education together of—
- (a) those of different religious belief, including reasonable numbers of both Protestant and Roman Catholic children or young persons; and
 - (b) those who are experiencing socio-economic deprivation and those who are not,

which is secured by the working together and co-operation of two or more relevant providers.

- (3) In subsection (2) “relevant provider” means a person providing—
- (a) education at a grant-aided school, or
 - (b) services of any kind (including youth services) which provide educational benefit to children or young persons.